

Technology Task Team - Class 2001

Enhanced Learning

*Providing research and assistance in TEL and other
traditional/non-traditional learning endeavors.*

*“It is what we think we know already
that prevents us from learning.”
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To: NPS Intake Trainee Class - Class 2001

Subject: TEL Task Team Newsbrief

The Technology Enhanced Learning (TEL) Task Team would like to welcome you to our first official TEL Task Team Newsbrief. Part of our responsibilities includes researching available TEL resources, distributing information to fellow trainees, and prioritizing funding requests to the program manager. Although geared to take advantage of high technology resources, we will also investigate other traditional and non-traditional training opportunities.

- Computer Based Training
 - Internet Based Training (e.g., NetG, web-based tutorials, etc.)
 - CD-ROM Programs
 - Other Specialty Programs
- Satellite Broadcasts (Classes/Workshops/Seminars)
- Traditional Classes/Workshops/Seminars
- Individual Requests

Have you obtained your NetG license yet? Mary Bonacorda sent a message November 8, 1999, advising everyone to contact Joyce Howe (Registrar - Mather Training Center) to obtain his or her license. If you did not receive the message let me know. They will send the license and NetG access information via e-mail. There are more than 500 courses available on NetG. Be sure and read the instruction/information memorandum that you will receive with your license. Available courses are primarily designed for technical skill development (e.g., software applications, network certification training, etc.). Non-technical competencies may be better addressed in the following paragraphs.

Rodney had the following websites for satellite broadcast downlink information:

- <http://www.nps.gov/training>
- <http://www.nctcdl.net/>
- <http://www.ntc.blm.gov/>
- <http://www.ntc.blm.gov/chargecard/>
- <http://www.dlnets.com/itv.htm#current>

Sharon has been working with Chris Perry and Kathy Jope for a grant proposal writing session at the Port Angeles training session. Unfortunately, she will not have the 3-day seminar in FY2000 because the person that she partners with is not available, but she is willing to give us a free 4-hour session covering the basics. Once Chris figures out the date and time, she will pencil us in.

Christie had the following information concerning free tutorials available on the Internet:

- Web Search Strategy <http://home.sprintmail.com/~debflanagan/main.html>
- How GPS Works <http://www.trimble.com/gps/index.htm>
- HTML <http://www.algonet.se/~amr-e/ezyhtml/>
- Bookbinding (maybe useful for Interp) <http://holly.colostate.edu/~sheilas/index.html>
- EPA Grant Writing <http://www.epa.gov/grtlakes/seahome/>
- Human Behavior Online (great for anyone working with the public!)
<http://members.xoom.com/XOOM/mvakkur/HumBeh.html>
- Dept of the Interior (mostly computer stuff) <http://www.doi.gov/selfhelp/>
- General Services Administrative Online University (for admin folks) <http://faionline.com>

A series of self-study CD-ROM courses are available from the National Conservation Training Center (NCTC) on their website at <http://www.nctc.fws.gov>. You will find links to self-study materials under Supervision, Management, and Self-Study Courses. A lot of these CD-ROMs were developed for/by NCTC are available at \$50 (non-FWS employees) for a two-week "rental" period. The number of users is unlimited during that time. The courses usually run from two to eight hours, depending on the study material. NCTC POC is Tannor Kopp at 304-876-7477.

Many of you may already be aware of an electronic publication called the Midwest Informer. This publication contains a variety of information, which usually includes very informative training issues and topics. This is the best regularly published NPS publication that I have seen to date. Although it contains personnel information unique to that region, a great percentage of the information covers the NPS as a whole. The publication is available from #MWR Central Informer BBs at NP--MWR. Here are some of the excerpts from publication #211:

MIDWEST INFORMER, NO. 211, NOVEMBER 18, 1999

INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP) WEB PAGE ONLINE

A new web page helps employees create an IDP using the competencies identified in the NPS Career Planning and Tracking Kit (1995). The web page can be found at The Learning Place under "Current Events" at: <http://www.nps.gov/training>

RETIREMENT TRAINING VIDEOTAPES AVAILABLE

If you missed the recent live satellite broadcast on preparing for your retirement, videotapes are available for a nominal fee of \$15. To order a VHS videotape of the training, call 703-620-6000. They will begin taking orders on November 17, and will fax you the application, and you may purchase them with a credit card.

UPCOMING TRAINING COURSES

The following training course announcements are still open for nominations, and interested employees should consult the individual course announcements for details about how and where to apply. New courses this week are marked *. Additional details and courses may be found on the Learning Place Bulletin Board.

COURSE TITLE	LOCATION/DATES	APPLY BY
*Annual Law Enforcement Refresher	Biloxi, MS Jan 24-28, No Tuition	Dec 10
*Civilian Travel Regulations	Voyageurs NP Jan 25-28	Dec 10
Archeological Resources Protection Training Program	Fort Irwin, CA Jan 24-28	Dec 15
*Basic Law Enforcement for Land Management Agencies (LMTP-005)	FLETC May 1-July 24, No Tuition	Feb 8
Effective Facilitation	Shepherdstown, WV Apr 25-28	Feb 23
*COMPASS II	Omaha, NE April 24-28 St. Paul, MN July 31-Aug 4	No date given No date given
Computer Based Training Maintenance Career Field	Internet-Based (Albright Sponsored)	Until filled 100 openings
Computer Based Training Open to Everyone	Internet Based (MWSO Sponsored)	Until filled 75 openings
Fundamentals of Financial Management	Internet-based	Open Continuously

The TEL Task Team Newsbrief will be published quarterly or as special circumstances warrant. The next scheduled publication will be in the February/March 2000 timeframe. Let me know if you have a change in your e-mail address, or want to add another. Short notice items will continue to be sent by individual team members as required. We are especially interested in hearing from the class about training opportunities that may benefit the group as a whole. It's possible that the Intake Program may endorse and fund the effort. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

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